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H.B. No. 1265

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to training of peace officers employed by the Department of Public Safety concerning the enforcement of federal immigration laws.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 411, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 411.00961 to read as follows:

Sec. 411.00961. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY; TRAINING. (a) The department shall require that each peace officer employed by the department be trained in accordance with a memorandum of understanding between this state and the United States Department of Homeland Security concerning the law enforcement officer's role in enforcing federal immigration laws, in accordance with 8 U.S.C. Section 1357(g).

(b) The director has authority to negotiate the terms of the memorandum described by Subsection (a).

(c) A memorandum described by Subsection (a) must be signed by the director and by the governor.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.